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Barillaud § Confirmation No.: 3586
§ Examiner: Walsh, John B.
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Title: System and Method
for Providing
Efficient and Secure
Data Exchange Using
Strip Information
Elements

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of June 20, 2006, with a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 20, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and reexamination of the present application in light of the following remarks and amendments.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to Van Leeuwen & Van Leeuwen, Deposit Account No. 50-3754.